

## Just checking in...

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Hi Katherine,

I hope that you and Antje are doing okay. How is virtual teaching going for you? It must be strange. I was talking with Jenny the other day and she said that what is hard is that on-line teaching is really draining - she doesn't get the energy that she gets from being in the classroom with the students. Are you finding that to be something you are feeling as well?

As I have said before, I'm glad that it is spring. Sunny days are easier than cloudy/rainy days. I love being outside. However, I have begun working on reorganizing my basement on rainy days. A project that needs quite a bit of attention.

It was hard to hear that they are using the Laurel ice rink as a morgue (as you know, the curling club is attached to that ice rink). The curling club has turned off their chiller because it needs to be replaced so the curling club is not being used for a morgue. I guess it is a good use for an ice rink, but so sad that we have gotten to the point where we need to do this.

How are your students doing? Are they engaged in their learning? Are all your classes working on term papers and/or projects?

I have begun watching the Murdoch Mysteries (on DVD from Netflix). My brother and his wife like it so I thought I'd try it. It's set in Toronto in the 1890's early 1900s. I've watched the first 4 episodes and am eagerly awaiting the next DVD - hopefully it will come today. I guess I have focused on Canadian tv because I've also been watching Due South (on DVD - Rebecca owns the whole series and left it here) and Schitts Creek. I have also heard that Unorthodox is good so I might watch that as well. I have finally gotten to a point where I can watch shows again. Have you and Antje watched anything interesting?

I'm curious to see how it goes when MD starts to open up again. I am eager to be able to go up and see my mom, but not sure when her retirement facility will let visitors in. I haven't seen mom since March 13 - that is the hardest part for me. We talk on the phone nightly, but it's not the same. She doesn't have the capacity to video chat. With Rebecca we use google hangouts to chat and to video chat as well so it is easier. We send each other photos of things we are doing, etc.

Anyway - I'm hanging in there. I have been making fabric masks for friends and have donated some. I have a perfect fabric for you. Would you like a fabric mask? Let me know. I'd be happy to make it for you and also if Antje wants I mask, I'm happy to do that as well. Just let me know.

Hope you have a good day. Take care and stay safe,  
Nancy